


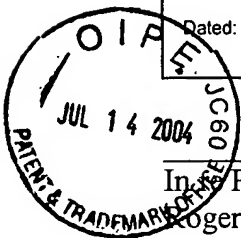
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated January 14, 2004 (Paper No. 9), for which a response was due on April 14, 2004. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to July 14, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.